IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

n re the Application of:

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For:

POWER TRANSMISSION MECHANISM OF SHAFT AND HUB

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Date: September 26, 2007

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2007, Applicants hereby elect Species IV. The Applicants submit that Species IV is directed to the subject matter recited in claims 11 and 12 as shown in Figures 29-31.

This election is made without prejudice to or disclaimer of the other inventions disclosed. Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications on the non-elected subject matter.

Accordingly, timely examination and favorable action on the claims is respectfully requested.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, Applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300 referencing docket number 025416-00025.

Respectfully submitted,

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